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Re: Application of Toru TSUKADA, Yutaka IGARASHI, Soichiro KATO,
Toshikazu YABE, Fumio UEKI
SEALING DEVICE FOR LINEAR GUIDE APPARATUS
Assignee: NSK LTD.
Our Ref: Q78490



Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 10/263,674 (Confirmation No. 7627) filed October 4, 2002 of Toru TSUKADA, Yutaka IGARASHI, Soichiro KATO, Toshikazu YABE, Fumio UEKI entitled SEALING DEVICE FOR LINEAR GUIDE APPARATUS.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 31 sheets of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is a copy of the Assignment, a Preliminary Amendment an Information Disclosure Statement, and a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 3682.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a continuation of Application No. 10/263,674 filed October 4, 2002; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference, which is a continuation of Application No. 09/875,272 filed June 7, 2001, which issued into U.S. Patent No. 6,550,968 on April 22, 2003, which is a continuation of Application No. 09/371,493, filed August 10, 1999, which issued into U.S. Patent No. 6,257,765 on July 10, 2001, which is a continuation of Application No. 08/678,765, filed July 11, 1996, which issued into U.S. Patent No. 6,019,513 on February 1, 2000; the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
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The priority documents were filed in parent Application No. 08/678,765.

The requisite U.S. Government Filing Fee will be submitted at a later date. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for Filing Fee, Issue Fee, and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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